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In Th Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0031] with the following amended paragraph:

[0031] Referring now to Figure 5, there is shown a side view of a linear diode laser array light coupling apparatus in accordance with a second embodiment of the present invention. Like features of the second embodiment are identified with the same reference numerals as the light coupling apparatus of Figures 3 and 4. The only difference between the embodiment of Figures 5 and 6 and the embodiment shown in Figures 3 and 4 is the elimination of the cylindrical lens, and the contours of the input surface 80 of the coupling element 52. In the y direction, the input surface 80 of coupling element 52 is faceted as shown schematically in the magnified view 82. The facet angle 84 in the y direction of each facet is chosen such that light emitted from each diode emitter is refracted toward the exit aperture 66. These facets act in the same way in the y direction as the curved input surface 60 of Figure 3.